

## MAPLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

March 20, 2007 – Minutes

The Maple Lake City Council was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Mayor Messina in the Council Chambers of the City of Maple Lake.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dircks, Geyen, Kelly, Messina, and Northenscold.

**ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Attorney Tim Young, City Engineer Jeremy Mathiasen, and City Clerk/Treasurer Linda Hruby.

### **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made/seconded/passed, (m/s/p), Northenscold/Dircks, to approve the agenda with the following additions: Under New Business – e. Annandale/Maple Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant Update, and Under Old Business – c. T-Mobile Lease.

### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was m/s/p, Kelly/Dircks, to approve the Consent Agenda including Approval of the March 6, 2007 Minutes and Approval of Disbursement List #07-06 and #LS03-20-07.

### **New Business**

#### **Planning Commission**

##### **Jewel Cabinets Conditional Use Permit (CUP)**

Northenscold reported that Jewel Cabinets requires a CUP to operate a cabinet refacing business which will be located at 115 1<sup>st</sup> Street West. Scott Bohn and Julie Kreitz were present. A motion was m/s/p, Northenscold/Dircks, to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Jewel Cabinets, per the recommendation of the Planning Commission, with the following conditions: parking of no more than 4 vehicles in the front of the building; storage to be inside or screened; hours of production limited to 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; signage to comply with zoning ordinance but allow a temporary vinyl sign for a period of 1 year; and business to meet OSHA and ANSI standards.

##### **Planning Commission – Floor Drains**

Northenscold reported that the Planning Commission held a discussion regarding floor drains in residential garages expressing concerns of sand, gravel and oil going into the sanitary sewer. The Planning Commission recommended that City Council not allow floor drains in residential garages. Attorney Young stated that the Zoning Ordinance should be amended stating that floor drains are not allowed in residential garages. This issue will be addressed at the next Council meeting.

##### **Role of Planning Commission**

Messina reported that the Planning Commission had concerns as follows: a statement of purpose, timeline for Comprehensive Plan and Ordinance updates, and training. Staff will review procedures and report back to the Council.

### **Doherty Employment Group – Temporary Sign for Bernatello’s Pizza**

Jennifer Landreville, representing Doherty Employment Group, was present. She stated that her group hires all employees for Bernatello’s Pizza and is seeking approval for a temporary sign advertising employment opportunities, to be placed on H & H Sport Shop property. Doherty does have written permission from the Churchill’s. The sign would be 6 x 8 and placed west of the gas pumps. The following items were discussed: placement of sign, neon colors, no lights on sign, snow in area sign would be placed, liability issues, and length of time sign would be placed if temporary sign. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Kelly, to grant an unlit temporary sign permit for a 6 month limit per year on H & H Sport Shop property to Doherty Employment Group.

### **Greg Thomes – Lake Association**

Greg Thomes and Kelly Pribyl were present. Thomes stated that the Lake Association would like to update the Council on the work they have done, including \$15,000 for weed control and a fish stocking program. Pribyl stated that they would like to post no littering signs at each access on the lake. Wright County is putting a no litter sign on the County Road 37 access. The Association is requesting that the City of Maple Lake put a no litter sign on the Highway 55 access. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Dircks, authorizing staff to contact Wright County and request that the county install a no litter sign; or in the event they will not install, staff order a sign and have the maintenance department install the sign.

### **Tom Neu – Fire Department Budget**

Tom Neu was present and reviewed the 2006 Budget and the proposed 2008 Budget. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Kelly, to adopt Resolution #R2007-12, approving the 2008 Maple Lake Fire Department Budget of \$38,000 (city portion). The total budget was \$159,000. All present voted aye.

Neu expressed concerns regarding the floor drains stating that they are an asset when building a house.

### **Annandale/Maple Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant Update**

Kelly reported that the Joint Commission met yesterday with Engineer DeWolf and passed a resolution approving the plans and specifications and authorizing the advertisement for bids for the joint plant. Messina stated that by moving forward with the bidding process we would be ready when a decision is handed down from the Supreme Court.

### **Old Business/Directive Franchises**

Nothing new.

### **Trains – Quiet Zone**

Northenscold stated he received information that the City of Dassel established a quiet zone at a reduced cost. Messina will contact the City Administrator. Mathiasen stated that the construction of 2 medians would cost approximately \$30,000. This issue was tabled until the next meeting.

### **T-Mobile Lease**

The Council received a memo from John Meyer recommending the City continue with the

current lease arrangement. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Messina, to decline T-Mobile's offer to re-negotiate their lease.

**Administrative Issues**

Hruby reported that Deputy Kangas stopped in her office today stating that a meeting for Safe Schools will be held on April 4, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at the District Office at the High School. Kangas invited Council members to attend.

On behalf of the City Council, Northenscold thanked everyone involved in the St. Patrick's Day celebration.

**Adjournment**

A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

Attest,

City Clerk/Treasurer